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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR PATENT

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COMPOUND SEMICONDUCTOR CRYSTAL

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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF JANUARY 12, 1998, INCLUDING AN ATTACHED COVER SHEET WITH CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Dear Sir:

Filing this Response on Monday, April 13, 1998 is timely without a Term Extension, because April 12, 1998 fell on a Sunday.

Please amend the above identified patent application as follows.

In the Specification:

Page 1, line 7, after "crystal" replace "." by -()-;

line 8, cancel the entire line;

line 9, before "group" replace "preparing a" by

-- and particularly a carbon-doped , after

"crystal" replace "in" by /-.

line 10, cancel the entire line;

line 12, after "prior" replace "arts as set" by

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